IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : CRIMINAL NO. 1:02-CR-0295

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v. : (Judge Conner)

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VINCENT ELLIS WILSON

ORDER

AND NOW, this 30th day of April, 2008, upon consideration of the motion (Doc. 561) for sentence reduction pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(2), filed by defendant, and it appearing that defendant is presently represented by counsel (see Doc. 562), it is hereby ORDERED that the *pro se* motion for sentence reduction (Doc. 561) is STRICKEN from the record in the above-captioned case¹ without prejudice to defendant's right to file subsequent motions through counsel of record.²

S/ Christopher C. Conner CHRISTOPHER C. CONNER United States District Judge

¹ <u>See Abdullah v. United States</u>, 240 F.3d 683, 686 (8th Cir. 2001) ("A district court has no obligation to entertain pro se motions filed by a represented party."); <u>United States v. Tracy</u>, 989 F.2d 1279, 1285 (1st Cir. 1993); <u>United States v. Gallardo</u>, 915 F. Supp. 216, 218 n.1 (D. Nev. 1995) (same); <u>Non-Punitive Segregation Inmates of Holmesburg Prison v. Kelly</u>, 589 F. Supp. 1330, 1335-36 (E.D. Pa. 1984) (same); <u>see also McKaskle v. Wiggins</u>, 465 U.S. 168, 183 (1984) ("[The Constitution] does not require a trial judge to permit 'hybrid' representation"); <u>United States v. Singleton</u>, 107 F.3d 1091, 1100 & n.7 (4th Cir. 1997) (same); <u>Linnen v. Armainis</u>, 991 F.2d 1102, 1105 & n.3 (3d Cir. 1993) (same); <u>United States v. Romano</u>, 849 F.2d 812, 816 (3d Cir. 1988) (same); <u>cf. United States v. Goldberg</u>, 67 F.3d 1092, 1098 (3d Cir. 1995).

 $^{^2}$ This ruling should not be construed as any indication of the court's view on whether defendant is eligible for a sentence reduction under 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(2).